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JAMES ROBERT REED, 1220 Austin Street, Colorado City, Texas, upon being advised that he did not have to make a statement, any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and of his right to obtain an attorney, declined to furnish a signed statement but orally furnished the following information:

REED advised he had no connection with anything concerning the President's assassination. He stated he did not know who shot the President and that he is not related to the man. He stated he was in town all through the day of November 22, 1963. He advised he has been to Ft. Worth, Texas only one time and does not recall ever having been in Dallas, Texas.

REED advised he was a paratrooper in the U. S. Army in 1942 until 1945 and received an Honorable Discharge from this service. He advised he is presently drawing a pension for 100 percent disability for an accident that happened after discharge from the service.

REED further advised he was sober on November 22, 1963 and that it has been several years since he has taken a drink. He stated he has never been in any trouble other than the usual traffic tickets.

REED stated his exact words voiced in the Wagon Wheel Cafe were, "I respect the man who killed KENNEDY more than I do KENNEDY." REED advised if the circumstances were to happen today that he would repeat the remark in good faith.

The following description was obtained through the above interview and observation:

Name	JAMES ROBERT REED
Address	1220 Austin Street, Colorado City, Texas
Date of Birth	January 11, 1923
Place of Birth	Grand Field, Oklahoma
Sex	Male

on 11/23/63 at Colorado City, Texas File # DL 89-43

by Special Agent S COLEMAN MAERAY & RONALD E. BRINKLEY/jt Date dictated 11/24/63

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Race	White
Height	5' 11"
Weight	200 pounds
Hair	Brown (long sideburns)
Eyes	Blue
Marital Status	Married
Children	Three
Complexion	Dark
Build	Heavy

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